

This week at the Church of St James the Greater Leicester

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20th NOVEMBER 2022 SUNDAY NEXT BEFORE ADVENT CHRIST THE KING

Prayer for the Week

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Our Prayers are asked for:

All prevented from worshipping with us, remembering

Gwen Leather: Marilyn Dorum: Margaret Norman: Mollie Drake and all those currently unable to attend services.

Those who are unwell and who are recovering

Mark Sadler: Ann Blanchard: Anthony Green:
Josephine Chizema: Kath Higginson: Gillian Boorne:
Peter Relph: Nicola Shilton: Anne Sylvester: Nina French
Rev'd Helen Newman
(recently Chaplain at LOROS and Co-Warden at Launde Abbey)

The Commemorative Flowers this week have been kindly given by

Jo and Pete Durham in loving memory of Suzanne, greatly missed Mum and wife

08.30 Welcome to St James the Greater Holy Communion

Common Worship Order One (Traditional)
President: The Reverend Johannes Arens
Assisted by: Sheila Roberts
Churchwarden: Paul Jenkins

10.30

Sung Eucharist

See order of service

President: The Rev'd Canon Philip Norwood

Assisted by: Margaret Sharman

Churchwardens: April Rule and Janet Burton

Servers: Angela Finn, William Woolley and Tony Chizema

Setting: Music of the Quiet Hour: Gloria: Lecot

We welcome members of our new Junior Choir who are joining the Choir for this service

OPENING HYMN 589 GLORIA

READING Jeremiah 23.1-6

Angel-voices ever singing Lecot

read by Mike Bull

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore, thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

5 The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

GRADUAL HYMN 44 (i)

O Child of promise, come!

GOSPEL Luke 23.33-43

- ³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[³⁴Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.']] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'
- 39 One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' 40 But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? 41 And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' 42 Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 43 He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

SERMON INTERCESSIONS The Rev'd Canon Philip Norwood
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From heaven you came, helpless babe

OFFERTORY HYMN 489

ANTHEM Let all the world in every corner sing - Tomlins

POST COMMUNION HYMN 358 (i) Be still, for the presence of the Lord

Post Communion Prayer

Stir up, O Lord,

the wills of your faithful people;

that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 612

Christ triumphant, ever reigning

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Please be aware of those remaining to listen.

Everyone is invited for refreshments after the service.

The Vicar Writes

The festival of Christ the King reminds us that most of the models of leadership we see around us in the world (and sometimes in the Church) are wrong. Christ is King is his compassion, not through compulsion, through service not conquest, in mercy not might.



18.30

Choral Evensong

see order of service

Officiant: Sheila Roberts

Churchwardens: Simon Edwards and David Kibert

Servers: Hilary Rees and Michael Bull

HYMN 362
CONFESSION
PRECES
PSALM 72 v.I-7
FIRST LESSON | Samuel 8.4-20

Come, let us join our cheerful songs

see service card

Ferial

see music sheet read by Colin Stray

4 Then all the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, ⁵and said to him, 'You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.' ⁶But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, 'Give us a king to govern us.' Samuel prayed to the LORD, ⁷and the LORD said to Samuel, 'Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. ⁸Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. ⁹Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.'

10 So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. ¹¹He said, 'These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; ¹²and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plough his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. ¹³He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. ¹⁴He will take the best of your fields and vineyards and olive

orchards and give them to his courtiers. ¹⁵He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers. ¹⁶He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. ¹⁷He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. ¹⁸And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day.'

19 But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, 'No! but we are determined to have a king over us, ²⁰so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.'

OFFICE HYMN 769

Rejoice! The Lord is King

MAGNIFICAT

Sung by the Choir - Murrill in E

Please remain seated but stand for the Gloria

SECOND LESSON John 18.33-37

read by Angela Stray

33 Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' ³⁴Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' ³⁵Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' ³⁶Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' ³⁷Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

NUNC DIMITTIS

Sung by the Choir $\,$ - Murrill in E

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THE CREED

RESPONSES

ANTHEM

PRAYERS

HYMN 698 (i)

SERMON

HYMN 663

see service card, p 3

Ayleward

Lift up your heads – *Mathias*

Sheila Roberts

King of glory, King of peace

Sheila Roberts

How shall I sing that majesty

DISMISSAL Plainsong

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY – S. Karg-Elert (1877-1933): Nun danket alle Gott Please be aware of those remaining to listen

The Week Ahead

Tuesday - Friday

09.00 Morning Prayer in church

Monday

14.30 House Group online. E-mail A.F.lagger@dunelm.org.uk for the link

Wednesday

19.30 St. James' Youth Group meet in the Undercroft

21.00 Compline via Zoom. To join, please use the link or codes below:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73698234791?pwd=eWkwg8tlWrTRa5illhzgbVHdofTTO6.1

Meeting ID: 736 9823 4791 Passcode: L9hQh1

Thursday

10.30 Holy Communion President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Assisted by: Janet Burton

11.00 Coffee Drop-In at the back of the Church

19.30 PCC meeting in the Ashman Room

19.30 The Council of Christians and Jews meeting in the Church Hall (see notice below for details)

Friday

16.30 Junior Choir

18.00 Choir Practice.

Saturday

19.30 **Leicester Bach Choir** perform 'Dawn Choruses' with music by Vaughan Williams, Cecilia McDowall and Ola Gjeilo. Tickets £18 on the door and from www.leicesterbachchoir.org.uk

Sunday Next - Advent I

08.30 **Holy Communion** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley 10.30 **Sung Eucharist** President: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

Readings: Isaiah 2.1-5 and Matthew 26.36-44

18.30 Advent Procession Officiant: The Reverend Andrew Quigley

COMMON CUP Please place a red token into a small basket, which is on the large table at the back of church before taking your seat, if you wish to receive the wine, so appropriate quantities can be consecrated.

STAMPS FOR CHARITY Please bring donations of stamps to help raise money for Inter Care and put them in the box provided. As the stamp design will be changing, the current ones will become more valuable.

JUNIOR CHOIR

Our Junior Choir has now launched and meets on Fridays 4.30 pm-5.30 pm and welcomes children of primary age. They will sing roughly once a month at Sunday services to begin with, for which they will even earn a bit of pocket money! The choir is free to join, there are no auditions and the boys and girls will sing in our supportive and inclusive church environment. Being a chorister means getting a free music education. From the moment they start school onwards children can be part of an organisation where they will improve their singing voice, learn to read music, develop their confidence, work as a team with other children, perform at a high level with teenagers and adults and make friends for life. If you know of a child of primary school age who might be interested, or are willing to help at the choir, please get in touch with Emma Trounson: DoM@stjamesthegreater.org.uk.

THE COUNCIL OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS will be holding a meeting at St. James Church Hall on Thursday 24th November from 7.30-9.30 pm. The speaker will be Dr Keith Kahn-Harris, writer and sociologist, senior lecturer at Leo Baeck College, Fellow of the Institute for Jewish Policy Research. He will talk on "The dilemmas of diversity: How do we show what a Jew looks like?" All are welcome to attend. Voluntary donations to cover expenses. The meeting will be followed by a brief AGM for members of CCJ.

SUNDAY IIth **DECEMBER 2022 4.30-6.00 pm - Tears and Celebration**, a carol service celebrating the message and meaning of Christmas, dedicated to the late Queen Elizabeth II. Tickets free, with a retiring collection for Leicester Children's Hospital Appeal and the church, are available by calling the church office 0116 2542111 or via Eventbrite on: https://tearscelebration.eventbrite.com

FORTHCOMING CONCERTS

Saturday 3rd December at 7.30 pm. Ex Cathedra perform Christmas Music by Candlelight. Booking is via the Curve box office https://www.curveonline.co.uk/whats-on/shows/christmas-music-by-candlelight-2/book/102801

Saturday 10th December at 7.30 pm. Ratby Cooperative Band and Fosse Singers Concert. Tickets £10 from www.ratbyband.com or on the door.

Tuesday 13th December at 7.30 pm. The Piccadilly Sinfonietta and soloists perform Pachelbel *Canon in D*, Corelli *Christmas Concerto*, Chopin *Piano Concerto No. 2 in F minor* and Vivaldi *Four Seasons*. Tickets £19, £29 or £38 available on the door or from https://citymusicpromotions.co.uk/buy-tickets/

Thursday 15th December at 7.30 pm. Leicester Philharmonic Choir Carol Concert. Tickets £15 or £10 with a glass of wine available on the door or https://thephil.org.uk/concerts/

Saturday 17th December at 7.00 pm. City of Leicester Singers Carol Concert.

Sunday 18th **December at 3-3.45 pm. BabyGigs: A Christmas Rescue.** Tickets: Adults £5.50, Children over 6 months: £3.50 (Babies under 6 months are free). Tickets are available here: https://www.tickettailor.com/events/babygigs

STEWARDS FOR CONCERTS Help is needed with providing stewards for forthcoming concerts in December, to ensure the safety of those attending. In particular, volunteers are required for:

Community Carols on Sunday 11th December afternoon, BabyGigs Concert on Sunday 18th December afternoon.

Information and training will be provided as necessary.

Please contact Vicky Roe at the church office on 0116 2542111 or E-mail office@stjamesthegreater.org.uk

Resources for Home Worship

Broadcast Media

Daily Service Monday – Friday at 9.45am Radio 4 LW
Choral Evensong Wednesday at 4 pm and Sunday at 3 pm Radio 3
Sunday Worship Sunday at 8.10 am Radio 4
Songs of Praise Sunday at 12.15 pm BBC I

Online at www.churchofengland.org and www.leicestercathedral.org DAILY HOPE TELEPHONE SERVICE Freephone 0800 804 8044

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